

## How to Register for School Meals

The Family Application for Free and Reduced Meals (**FARM**) will be available in early summer, 2012. **Parents/Guardians must submit the FARM application to determine if their child qualifies for free lunches.** Students that qualify for “reduced” meals will not pay for school lunches. Breakfast and supper are universally free.

Paper copies of the application will be distributed by your child’s school when the new application is available. The form is not located in this enrollment packet. When the paper form is released, an electronic form will also be available online at the following link:

<http://dcps.dc.gov/DCPS/Beyond+the+Classroom/Food+Services/Application+for+Free+and+Reduced+Meals>

*We encourage families to complete this form online.*

Certain DCPS schools will serve all meals for free and will not require the submission of FARM applications because these schools have been certified by the USDA as Provision 2. Schools will notify parents/guardians if they do not need to complete the FARM application.

## How to Pay for School Meals

Parents/Guardians of students who do not qualify for free or reduce meals can pay for all meals with a valid credit or debit card at the website *MyLunchMoney.com*, a secure online payment system. In addition, prepayments can be made via cash or check, (made payable to the DC Treasury), at the student’s cafeteria. Limited schools have cashless kiosks available in the cafeteria for students to deposit cash directly into their account. Inquire at your school if this option is available. Meal prices and policies can be found on the food services website.

## Allergies and Accommodations

Visit [www.dcps.dc.gov/foodservices](http://www.dcps.dc.gov/foodservices) to download the “Religious/Philosophical Dietary Accommodations Application” to register special dietary needs including food intolerances and allergies. For students with allergies, the form must be completed and signed by a licensed medical provider. Submit the form to the school nurse. A copy will be kept on file at the school.